

The listing of claims presented below replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims

Claims 1-19 (Cancelled)

Claim 20 (Previously presented) A bioemulsifier isolated from an *Acinetobacter* strain which can be isolated from human skin wherein said bioemulsifier comprises protein, polysaccharide and lipid wherein the bioemulsifier retains 35% stability after 140 hours at 10°C.

Claim 21 (Previously presented) The bioemulsifier according to claim 10 isolated from *Acinetobacter junii*.

Claim 22 (Cancelled)

Claim 23 (Cancelled)

Claim 24 (Previously presented) The bioemulsifier according to claim 27, wherein at peak esterase activity, 61.3% of esterase, as measured by enzyme activity, is associated with cells and 38.6% of the esterase is secreted into a fermentation medium.

Claim 25 (Previously presented) The bioemulsifier according to claim 27, wherein increase in bioemulsifier concentration from 0.5 to 3 ml against a fixed volume of 6 ml of almond oil results in a

reduction of viscosity of the almond oil by 40.3%.

Claim 26 (Previously presented) A bioemulsifier isolated from an *Acinetobacter* strain which can be isolated from human skin wherein said bioemulsifier comprises 50.5% protein, 43% polysaccharide and 3.8% lipid.

Claim 27 (Currently amended) A bioemulsifier isolated from *Acinetobacter junii* wherein ~~herein~~ said bioemulsifier comprises 50.5% protein, 43% polysaccharide and 3.8% lipid.